

Janice Braun Williams
December 22, 1941 - July 13,2008

It was a considerable shock that we learned of the passing of our friend and long-time D.A.H.A. member, Janice Williams. She had been ill for most of the past year, but it still seemed so sudden and was years too soon. Jan was too young and had many things she wanted to do with her beloved husband , Karl, including travel and enjoying their grandchildren.

Jan was a bright, enthusiastic, woman of faith, who loved her family and all animals, especially her horses. She had, in the past, managed thoroughbred breeding facilities and eventually became an Arabian horse owner, all while she and Karl raised six children. They lived for many years at their ranch in Livermore, during which time Jan joined and became active in D.A.H.A. She showed her horses and served on the Board of Directors and on various committees, helping with most of the club's horse shows as well as other activities.. She was twice chosen to be President, taking her duties seriously and prodding us all to better efforts on behalf of our members and, more importantly, our beautiful horses.

Jan always looked for opportunities to promote Arabians and welfare of horses in general, taking in horses that had been mistreated and giving them the care and love they needed. Her love of kids and horses came together when she took her horses to her granddaughter's school for a special presentation.

Jan was a published author, writing several childrens' books, as well as Christian romance novels. She got a kick out of the fact that her books were very good sellers among English language books in India. For the last several years, after retiring from her office job, she had a successful business as a mobile notary public and loan signing agent. When Karl retired and they moved to Newcastle, Jan made certain that her horses were settled into new homes where they would receive the care she felt they should have.

We offer our love and sincere sympathy to Jan's husband, Karl, to her children and grandchildren, and to Jan's mother Olive Braun. We join you in missing her.